CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR

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WE CELEBRATE EUCHARIST:

WEEKEND MASSES

5:00 pm: Saturday Evening
9:30 am: Sunday Morning
11:30 am: Sunday Morning

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:30 am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms We celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism at 1:00 PM on the first Sunday of each month. Arrangements must be made in advance with Sister Mary. Please note that there are no baptisms during Advent and Lent.

Marriages Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance and participation in the Diocesan Pre-Cana Program is required. Please call the Rectory to schedule an appointment with Fr. Frank who will discuss the necessary details.

Sacrament of the Sick In the event of serious illness, please call the Rectory and request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Communion for the Homebound Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Holy Communion to those unable to join us for Eucharist. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

Confessions First Saturday of the month in the church from 4:00-4:30 PM. By appointment for all other times.

ST. SAVIOUR PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Frank W. Spacek, D. Min., **Pastor**
Rev. Daniel S. Murphy, **Pastor Emeritus**
Rev. Kevin P. Cavalluzzi, D. Min., **In Residence**
Emily SanPietro, **Administrative Assistant**
Sister Mary R. Walsh, CSJ, **Pastoral Associate**
Deacon Paul E. Norman, **Faith Formation**
Dr. Nicholas J. Nicassio, **Music Ministry**

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday 9:00 AM–4:00 PM
Friday No Office Hours
Saturday & Sunday No Office Hours
To speak with a priest, please call for an appointment.
For sick calls, phone anytime.

ST. SAVIOUR HIGH SCHOOL

Mrs. Carolann Timpone, **Principal**
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ST. SAVIOUR CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Mr. Dean J. Fusto, M.A.T., M.A., **President**
Mr. Matthew Artigas, **Principal**
TEL 718.768.8000
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WHO IS WELCOME IN ST. SAVIOUR CHURCH?

Are you a sinner? Have you been away from the church for a long time? Are you divorced or separated? Are you physically or mentally challenged? Are you from a different culture? Are you not accepted because of your sexual orientation? Are you elderly, a teen or young adult? Are you discriminated against because of your color? Are you feeling broken? Are you poor or out of work? Have you been imprisoned? Have you a feeling that you are left out? **You are welcome here! This is your home, and we are your family!**

A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR

There is no doubt at all that we as a parish have hit the ground running since the beginning of September. Both Saint Saviour High School and Saint Saviour Catholic Academy are in full-swing and our students are already working hard and learning new things and participating in the many clubs, activities and sports each of our two schools offer. It is also good to see our students from the Academy back at daily Mass, with different grades joining us each day. Last Sunday our Faith Formation classes began following a beautiful and prayerful Family Mass where we commissioned our catechists and thanked them for their ministry to the young people of our parish family. I also thanked all our parents and grandparents for entrusting their children and grandchildren in the hands of our catechists and our Faith Formation Program here at Saint Saviour. We are truly blessed to have such great catechists and a great Director of Faith Formation in Deacon Paul. I'm also extremely grateful to all the teens who have volunteered to assist us as aids in our Faith Formation Program. They are a phenomenal asset to our program.

Deacon Paul continues to register children for our Children's Faith Formation program. If you wish to register your children or grandchildren, simply go to our parish website – click on the Faith Formation link – and follow the instructions to complete the forms and provide any additional paperwork necessary. Please give all paperwork to Deacon Paul personally ASAP on Sunday; or drop it off in the Rectory mailbox with Deacon Paul's name on the envelope. Remember, any child who is NOT attending a Catholic School or Catholic Academy MUST attend faith formation classes. We begin each week as a parish family by attending the 9:30am Family Mass and then we continue with formal instructions in the high school building. Don't forget that FAITH FORMATION CLASSES HAVE ALREADY BEGUN, SO PLEASE REGISTER ASAP!!

TODAY, September 22nd, we will be having our annual "Blessing of Backpacks" at the Family Mass. We invite all the children and teens from our parish family to bring their backpacks to the 9:30am Family Mass for a special blessing as they begin another school year. We will also be giving each of our children and teens a special gift following the Blessing of Backpacks ceremony.

NEXT SUNDAY, September 29th, we will have our annual "BLESSING OF ANIMALS" ceremony at 1:00pm in front of the Rectory in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, a great lover of animals and all God's creation. We invite ALL the members of our parish family to bring their dogs, cats, turtles, birds, hamsters or any other animal you may own as a pet for a special blessing next Sunday afternoon. Please make sure your smaller pets are in a cage or safely secured. So many people here in Park Slope own pets, so please invite your friends and neighbors to join us next Sunday at 1:00pm for our annual "Blessing of Animals."

Finally, don't forget about our big celebration for Sister Mary on Sunday, October 6th! We had a great meeting with the planning committee this week in the Rectory and I was extremely impressed with all the hard work being done to honor and thank our very own Sister Mary for 60 years of service to God's people as a Sister of Saint Joseph. Don't forget there will be only ONE MASS that week at 10:30am – followed by our celebration in the Parish Hall.

Have a great week everyone – please stay safe and healthy!

Father Frank

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid.
Go and do as you propose.
But first make me a little cake and bring it to me." (1 Kgs 17:13)

Psalm:
Praise the Lord, my soul! (Ps 146)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:
But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages
to take away sin by his sacrifice. (Heb 9:26)

Gospel:
"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more
than all the other contributors to the treasury." (Mk 12:43)

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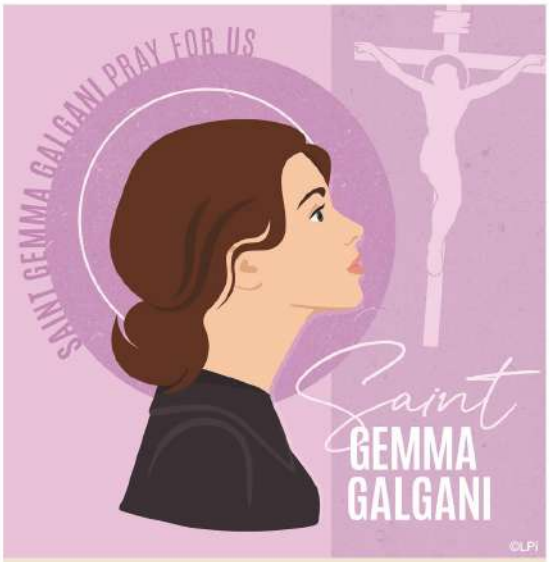
Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

Jesus praises the widow's bravery in offering all she has. He is calling us to be brave, challenging us to give even — especially — when it hurts. Then, our gifts become more than just good deeds. They become acts of radical trust in God.

Observances for the week of November 10, 2024

Sunday:	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day
Tuesday:	St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
Wednesday:	St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
Friday:	St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday:	St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin
Next Sunday:	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

St. Gemma Galgani (1878-1903) was an Italian layperson who lived an intense prayer life. She experienced ecstasies, was reported to levitate, and received the grace of the holy stigmata. She is called the "Daughter of the Passion" because of her deep union with Christ's Passion.

Prayer of Generosity

Oh God, whose generosity cannot be outgiven, mold my heart to mimic Yours.
Teach me what it means to be giving, knowing that whatever I have is a gift, from Your abundance. Blessed be Your name.

Amen.

Brownbaggers Homeless Outreach

The Brownbaggers project serves the poor in NYC during the winter months. Since 2009 we have delivered thousands of lunches. Meeting monthly in the Parish Hall at 12:30pm, we assemble 100 brown bag lunches with food and clothing items donated by our volunteers. We then travel via subway to multiple Manhattan parks to distribute our lunches to those most in need, returning to Brooklyn by 3:30 pm. Dave Beaudry is the current director of our Brownbaggers Homeless Outreach Program.

Please RSVP now for Sunday, October 20

Children under the age of 18 must to be accompanied by an adult. Please wear comfortable shoes and have your metro card charged.

Twenty-five volunteers are needed for this event. RSVP to: davebeaudry@gmail.com

Please consider donating warm socks, hats or gloves into the Brownbaggers Donation Box which will be located in the vestibule of the church after every Mass. Any donations received will be distributed at that month's Brownbagger event. Also, financial donations used to purchase food items can be made in the Parish rectory.
Thank you for your support.

***Just a reminder that all adults must be VIRTUS trained to attend.**

ASSOCIATED VINCENTIAN CHARITIES OF BROOKLYN GIVES BACK FOR EACH CAR, TRUCK, OR VAN RUNNING OR NOT THE ASSOCIATED VINCENTIAN CHARITIES WILL GIVE BACK TO YOUR PARISH $100/$1000 PER VEHICLE

IF YOU, A FAMILY MEMBER , OR FRIEND HAVE AN OLD OR NEGLECTED VEHICLE THAT IS NOT BEING USED, PLEASE CALL
(718) 491-2525
SVDPAUTO-ROOKLYNQUEENS.ORG
IRS TAX DEDUCTION
FREE TOWING
ANY CONDITION
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

RSVP

Jubilee Luncheon
Celebrating Sister Mary Walsh's
60 years as a Sister of Saint Joseph
October 6, 2024, following 10:30a.m. Mass

Help us get a head count!
Name: _____
Number attending: _____

RSVP: saintsaviourvolunteers@gmail.com
Or return card to the Rectory.

Optional: bring a dessert or side dish to share!

Socktober

This October, we invite the great parishioners of St. Saviour's to participate once again in our annual **Socktober Drive**. A small act of love can make a big difference in the lives of our neighbors who are living in shelters as we prepare for the winter months. Warm feet…warm hearts!

There is a basket in front of the Blessed Mother Altar to place your donation. Our Sock Drive runs from **October 1st through October 31st**

Thank you for your Generosity!

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Today—Catch-up Collection
October 5—Maintenance & Repair

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Called to Communion, Participation & Mission

As a committed parishioner, friend, and Catholic, we need your support to uphold our mission. We are grateful to the 101 donors who have already made a generous commitment to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal.

Parish Goal: $64,900

Raised: $85,847

You may also make your gift online now at **annualcatholicappeal.org** or text **DONATE** to **917-336-1255** or call 718-965-7375 and have a pledge card mailed to your home.

Saint Thomas Food Pantry

Please continue to support the food pantry at St. Thomas Aquinas. We are especially in need of hot cereal, soup and toiletries, but whatever you give will be most appreciated!

SAINT SAVIOUR HIGH SCHOOL FALL 2024 OPEN HOUSE

Open House will take place on:

Wednesday, October 9, 2024: 5:30 PM--7:30 PM; presentation begins at 6:00 PM and

Sunday, October 27, 2024: 12:00 PM--2:00 PM; presentation begins at 12:45 PM.

WeShare

WeShare allows parishioners a safe and easy way to donate online. If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy!

1. Visit our website: www.stsaviourchurch.org and click "Give Online."
2. Click on the collection you wish to donate to.
3. Click Recurring Donation, then enter your donation amount and frequency.

Once you've added your information, donations will automatically deduct from your account.

"Pray, Hope and Don't Worry, worry is useless God is Merciful and will hear your prayers."
— St. Padre Pio of Peitrelcina

STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

September 14-15

Offertory $5,372

Children's Collection $302

Catholic Education $502

Attendance 294

SISTER MARY'S 60th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

This is the celebration of the century that just never seems to end! ALL the members of our Parish Family are invited to join us on Sunday, October 6th, as we celebrate the 60th Anniversary of Sister Mary's ministry as a Sister of Saint Joseph. We will begin our celebration with the celebration of Eucharist at 10:30 am in church. (PLESE NOTE THERE WILL ONLY BE ONE MASS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH!!) Following Mass we will go downstairs to the Parish Hall for our celebration honoring Sister Mary and thanking her for all she has done for so many of us and for everything she has done for all the people whose lives she has touched throughout her 60 years as a Sister of Saint Joseph. If you haven't done so already, please mark your calendars and plan on joining us for this very special day.

Bring your creatures, great and small, to the

Your pets are a blessing, so take some time to have them blessed! In honor of the feast day of St. Francis Assisi on October 4th we will have the Blessing of the Animals next Sunday, September 29th. This will take place in front of the Rectory at 1 pm. Please ensure that all pets are properly restrained, either via leash or appropriate enclosures.

Sunday, September 22, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 a.m. Lucy & Walter Bielski
11:30 a.m. Ernesto Conde/Celia Rivera/ Pedro Conde

Monday, September 23, Saint Pius of Pietrelcina
8:30 a.m. Thanksgiving for the gift of life

Tuesday, September 24, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Barbara Cahill

Wednesday, September 25, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Barbara Giordano

Thursday, September 26, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Msgr. John Powis

Friday, September 27, Saint Vincent de Paul
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, September 28, Weekday
5:00 p.m. Maureen Kelly Conboy/ John Howard

Sunday, September 29, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 a.m. Victor Pinott
11:30 a.m. Loretta Amato/Mary Lenihan/ Ken Corey

We still have Mass Intentions available for both weekday AND weekend celebrations of Eucharist. Please consider having a Mass celebrated for a loved one or family member—either living or deceased. We are ALL in need of prayers, and there is no greater prayer than the celebration of Eucharist. Each Mass Intention is only $15.00. If you are interested in having a Mass celebrated in memory of a deceased loved one, or in honor of someone who is living, please call Emily at the Rectory and she will be more than happy to assist you.